

A TWO THOUSAND DOLLAR COTTAGE.

It Has Seven Rooms and Is Cozy, Comfortable and Pretty.
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In this cottage the four rooms in the first story are grouped about a central chimney. The hall is of good size and may be used as a sitting room. It communicates with the parlor by means of a sliding door.

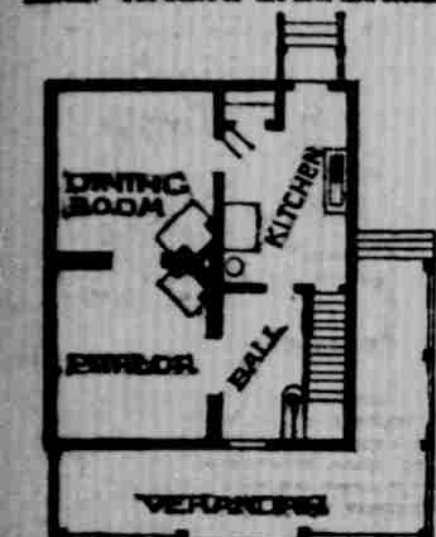


PERSPECTIVE VIEW.

which is the same manner is joined to the dining room, affording an opportunity of having all the rooms into one when desired. The kitchen is equipped with a portable range and sink, and is supplied with hot and cold water in the usual way. A cellar extends under the entire building and has walls of stone laid up in cement mortar. The chimney is of hard brick. The fireplace has the hearth and facade, with cast brass fenders, and grates for burning coal. The building is balloon framed, sheathed and papered, clapboarded in first story and shingled in the second story and on the roof. A veranda extends across the front and a portion of one side, giving a picturesque appearance to the exterior.

In the second story are three good sized bedrooms, a bathroom and ample closet space. Two rooms may be secured in the attic if desired. If they are not required it can be used as a storeroom. The chimney above the roof is of selected hard brick laid in red mortar.

The walls and ceilings in the first story are hard finished on one coat of brown mastic. The floors of the first and second

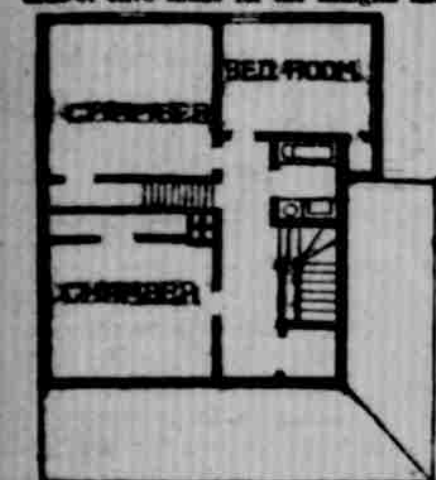


FIRST STORY.

similar one of yellow pine, the attic floor of noncombustible white pine. The woodwork throughout the first and second stories is of whitewood, stained to resemble oak in the hall, mahogany in the parlor and dining room and left natural color in the kitchen.

In the second story the woodwork is stained to resemble old oak and black walnut. The stair rails, wains and balusters are of oak. The top of shut, burlap and woodwork of water closet is of whitewood stained to match the other work. The stairwork and woodwork of bathroom is finished with one coat of wood filler and varnished three coats with best coach varnish and rubbed smooth. All other inside woodwork except the floors is finished with one coat of wood filler and two coats of varnish rubbed smooth. The veranda floors and all cornices, gutters, steps, etc., are of white pine, which shows clear face. The gutter flashings and leaders are of L. C. standard tin.

Much of the beauty of the exterior of this house depends upon the colors of the paint. A good combination would be to paint the roof a Venetian red, with a light blue or olive shade for the shingles and



SECOND STORY.

body color of the second story, with darker shades for trimmings. The lower story and trimmings would look well if dark because or bottle green, with moldings picked out in red to harmonize with the color of the roof.

The main rooms are heated by a furnace in the cellar. The front door is grained to resemble old oak, all others to suit the woods of the rooms in which they are placed.

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